TEEN-AGE TRIUMPHS

By Stookie Allen

OWEN MILLER OF BUFFALO, N.Y., BECAME INTERESTED IN PREHISTORIC ANIMALS. FOLLOWING PICTURES IN A BOOK HE MADE SOME CLAY MODELS — THEY WERE SO WELL DONE A PUBLIC LIBRARY PUT THEM ON EXHIBITION. HIS SCHOOLMATES FLOCKED TO SEE THE EXHIBIT. OWEN PLANS TO BE A GEOLOGIST.

TAKE MY WORD FOR IT!

By FRANK COLBY

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HANDBOOK OF PRACTICAL ENGLISH

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Q. We need some Colby common sense in determining a point of usage. Our English class cannot decide whether to use a plural or singular verb following "what" in such sentences as, "What we need (is? are?) more good textbooks." We cannot find the answer in our school grammar.—Mrs. W. L. P.

Now let's do it my way.

A. The rule is so involved that it would merely confuse you more if I quoted it. Instead let's take another approach.

Let us regard "what we need" as a noun-clause. It actually is the subject of the sentence, and expresses the idea of "our need," which is singular, as if we were to say, "Our need is for more good textbooks."

Or, to put it still another way, "what" is equivalent to "that which," and "that," of course, is plainly singular and takes a singular verb, thus: That which we need is . . .

These sentences are correct:

What Europe needs is food and clothing. What I expect is co-operation and friendship. What we hope for is many years of peace. What we bought was groceries only.

Note also that in some constructions "all" has a meaning that is equivalent to "that which," as: All that we need is more good textbooks. All that we saw was pine trees. All that we hope for is peace and justice.

Likewise, notice the singular verb in such constructions as: It is the Germans whom we defeated. It was the Romans who built the aqueduct. It is they who sent us the books.

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I allowed as how the forms were all closed up, and it was too late to take his ad. He says: "All right, Monday then"—and we agreed on Monday.

Of course, the forms weren't closed. But I had kind of an inkling of what might happen. Then Sunday he phones me, and says, kind of sheepishly: "You can forget that ad. Me and the missus have everything all patched up. And we're having a friendly glass of beer, right now."

From where I sit, if you give folks time enough to think things over, those hasty quarrels that come so often from misunderstanding will give way to tolerance and common sense.

Joe Marsh

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Breed Monkeys For Research

Farm in Florida Is Devoted To Rearing Primates For Study.

DANIA, FLA.—At the anthropoid ape research foundation here chimpanzees, man's nearest "relative," are bred and imported for scientific research.

Raising them requires the combined institutions of a mother and a nurse, plus work and money.

Johns Hopkins hospital at Baltimore recently purchased a half dozen of the primates from the foundation, but for most hospitals the cost is prohibitive.

Leila Roosevelt Denis, who with her explorer-scientist-picture-man husband, Armand Denis, operates the farm of some 50 chimps, finds the work has its humorous side.

She tells of a chimp named Mugmump who liked to walk at her side and hold her hand. He was quite an attraction on the streets until he picked up the habit of sneaking up behind girls on the streets and slapping or pinching them.

Champagne First.

Muggy would drink anything, but he knew quality. He once sampled seven drinks fixed for him, then went back and drank the champagne first and followed with the Scotch.

The chief attraction at the farm now is a pair of young chimps, Ernie, 5 months old, and Dji Dji, 9 months.

Ernie was born at the farm; Dji Dji came over from the Belgian Congo and was baptized with vodka by a ship's crew on reaching New York.

It would not be out of order to call a pediatrician if either became ill, for in all respects they are treated just as human babies.

They wear diapers—the paper kind—and are fed from a bottle. They get orange juice, ice cream and vitamin pills. At night, they snooze in cribs in a nursery.

Both suffer from burns if allowed to remain in the sun too long, and they get regular checkups at a dispensary.

The youngsters are much in demand at the farm.

Recently the two babies had colds —chimps are the only animals subject to the common cold—and a sign went up "Babies Have Colds."

Chimps Are Smart.

Mrs. Denis makes it clear that the farm is for the raising of the chimps for research use, and that there is little training. But chimps are smart and quickly pick up habits from watching people.

Besides the "babies," there is Sammy, who is 17 years old and prays for a banana; Napoleon, 12, who has a hand-clap that would delight any actor, and Patsy, who is happiest when she is washing clothes.

The breeding of chimps has met with fair success at the farm, although two births in three years or at most one birth a year are all that can be expected of a mother. One of the rare cases of twin births occurred at the farm, but one died shortly after arrival.

Hospitals, in obtaining the animals, frequently must bid against circuses, showmen and zoos.

With the war over and more chimps being imported from Africa, plus local breeding, the price is expected to come within reach of more hospitals. At present, a chimp on the dock costs $500 or more, Mrs. Denis says.

The apes are more desired for medical research than mice, dogs and monkeys because they react to diseases typical to the human being. Their organs come closest to matching those of man.

They react to infantile paralysis, cancer, the numerous tropical fevers and other diseases as well as the common cold.

New Car Buyer Acts the Same When He's Away From Home

FRANKFURT, GERMANY. — Luxury-hungry Americans who pay fabulous prices for private automobiles in Germany were made a target of G.I. criticism for having lost "all sense of value."

The army newspaper, Occupation Chronicle, said as much as 300 per cent above original purchase prices was being offered for "anything with four wheels" by soldiers and war department civilians.

Citing examples, the newspaper said a late-model American car, selling for about $1,500 in the United States, was auctioned to an eager buyer for $4,000. Prices as high as $2,000 are offered for second and third hand jeeps.

Owners who paid perhaps $400 for a jeep a year ago and now are going home, "sit by watching as prospective buyers fall over themselves boosting offers to inflationary heights," the paper added.

Horse Gets Drunk, Rider Says; He Gets Some Time in Jail

JOPLIN, MO.—H. V. Seeley, held here on a drunk driving charge, argues that it was not he, but his horse, who had imbibed too freely.

Police forceably removed Seeley from the back of a five-gaited saddle horse which, Seeley claimed, had been quenching its thirst on beer provided by the rider.

Chief Kendrick Lloyd sent Seeley to jail and the horse to pasture.

Beverly Hills

Beverly Hills, July 22.- Mrs. Lewis Harris and Bessie Carter spent some time last week with Mrs. Leonard Thornhill, of Ashland.

Annie Laurie Coleman has returned to her home in Newport News, after spending two weeks with Jackie Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Spiggle spent several days in Richmond with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Spiggle.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown have returned home after a northern vacation, which they took with their son and his family, Emmet Brown, of Roanoke.

Mrs. Malcolm Booker has returned home after spending a week at Virginia Beach and Newport News.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Kidd announce the birth of a girl, Joyce Jane, born at Guggenheimer Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ottice Z. Moore announce the birth of a boy, William Arthur, July 19.

W. A. Wells spent some time recently on the Eastern Shore fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Reynolds had as week-end guests Mr. and Mrs. Warren Nance and family, of Lynchburg.

Railway Brotherhood president, A. F. Whitney, says Truman preferable as President to any Republican.

Plan adjournment of Congress Saturday night.

Poles fight plan to revive German trade.

Senator Taft will visit Western states to check on political trends, following a month's vacation in Canada at the end of the present session of Congress.

Rocks News

Rocks, July 21.- Mr. and Mrs. Toby Inge and Claiborne Inge went to Lynchburg Monday morning.

Toby Inge was taken quite sick Sunday night,

Dr. O'Brien was to see Toby Inge Tuesday and Wednesday.

Buddy Roy Thompson, of Lynchburg spent last week with William Carroll Ranson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moore, of Montgomery, W. Va., spent a few days here recently with her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roach were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Toby Inge Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Williams and son, Steve, of Waynesboro, spent Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roach.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ranson and children took Buddy Roy Thompson today, on their way to Galts Mill to see her father, W. B. Eisenmon.

Rev. C. G. Carter was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roach Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Edd Roach and Cassie Baldwin were also visiting them.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Dickerson and children spent Friday afternoon with her parents, Mr and Mrs. H. Y. Goin.

James R. Taylor, accompanied by his wife went to Lynchburg Tuesday, where she entered the Virginia Baptist Hospital for an operation on Wednesday.

Rev. W. E. Cullers, of Roebuck started a revival at Rocks Sunday night. Services are held each evening through Friday night, at 8.

Quite a number from here attended the funeral of Sam Jennings of Evergreen Thursday afternoon. The deepest sympathy is extended to the family.

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Hixburg

Hixburg, July 21.- The Mathews Baptist Church and the Hixburg Presbyterian Church are having electric lights installed.

Farmers in this neighborhood are having their houses wired.

Gardens, hay, and corn have suffered from lack of rain. For the last week showers have helped out greatly.

Rev. Donald Carson, of Raleigh, N. C. will begin revival services at the Hixburg Presbyterian Church Sunday evening, July 27, and the evening services will continue through the week.

Willie Swan and sister, Mrs. Topping returned last Thursday from Bluefield, W. Va., where they were called on account of the illness of Mrs. Hugh Swan. Mrs. Swan is improving.

Mrs. E. P. Sears was the guest last week-end of her daughter, Mrs. Jimmie Guild, in Richmond.

Mrs. Edith Hix and Miss Frances Hix, of Richmond spent last week visiting around in the neighborhood.

Sears Hix, of Thomasville, N. C., and Mrs. W. M. Erwin, of Mount Ulla, N. C., will be the guests of Miss Maggie Hix from July 26th through August 2nd.

NEGRO EXTENSION NEWS

The annual Farmers' Conference was held in the form of a field meeting Tuesday, July 15, on the joining farms of Mace Lewis and Eugene Pankey.

The field meeting, the first of its kind to be held in the county, was very informative and beneficial to the farmers. The subjects observed and discussed were pasture, seedings and fertilizer treatments, also red clover for hay, ladino and pure-bred Duroc sow.

The tour of the farms was made by a group of 28 farmers, representing their respective communities. Leading the discussions on pasture and hay were Mr. John Harrison, of S.C.S. and head of the Stonewall Pasture Experiment Station, and Mr. M. V. Carter, head of the Agronomy Dept. of Va. State College. Mr. J. E. Setzs, head of animal husbandry at State College, gave a thorough discussion on the management of sow and litter.

County officials present were the County Agent, Mr. R. B. Hudgins, Mr. C. S. Booth and Mr. Mustard.

Lloyd Forgst, of Promise Land, has been entered in the statewide soil conservation contest. If he wins the prize is a trip to Georgia this fall and $100.00 in cash.

STATE FORESTRY CAMP AT HOLLIDAY LAKE

Eugene Evans, Jr., 16 year old Future Farmer of the LaCrosse Chapter was selected for top honors in the Cooperative F. F. A. Forestry Program and will receive seventy-five dollars in bonds and a scholarship to Virginia's forestry training camp at Holliday Lake, it was announced this week by Frank Cale, State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture.

STATE ROAD CONTRACTS

Richmond, July 24.- Announcing contract awards for 13 additional Federal Aid secondary road projects today, the State Highway Department reported that to date 72 such projects have been let to contract, calling for six new bridges and 307 miles of roadway.

This puts under way, the department said, the greater part of $3,233,933 Federal money allocated to secondary roads in Virginia in the first year of a three year postwar Federal Aid program. All Federal funds were matched with equal amounts of State money. Secondary contracts now total $3,242,968.

Dutch troops open operations against Indonesian Republic.

British newspapers will further reduce size to save newsprint.

Refugees seek free elections in Albania.

AMERICAN LEGION PLANS CONVENTION

Richmond, July 23.- How ex-service men and their families have been rehabilitated and literally hundreds of children given a new chance in life will be the subject of major reports that will be made at the twenty-ninth annual convention of The American Legion, Department of Virginia, which opens in Richmond on August 10.

The convention, according to Department Commander Robert B. Crawford, of Farmville, probably will be the greatest in the history of the Old Dominion. Housing facilities in Richmond are greater than ever before and all are being held for the use of the Legion. It will continue through August 13. A special department rehabilitation committee will make one of the principal reports of the conference. It has announced a meeting to be held at John Marshall High School Sunday afternoon.

Stalin appears before the public at Moscow sports show.

France works for healing of the U. S.-Soviet break.

Wallace for President Clubs are formed in California.

Vote on universal training bill is set for Friday.

Army reports lowering of venereal disease rate.

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Forest View

Forest View, July 22.- Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mayberry, of Maiden, N. C., who have been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Berkley Mayberry for the past week, have returned home.

Mrs. John Crawley and little daughter, Frances Ann, have been visiting her parents for a few days. They have returned to Lynchburg, accompanied by her sister, Louise Mayberry, who will stay a few days.

Spring Mills

Spring Mills, July 18.- Miss Mary Lee Wood is attending summer school at Lynchburg College.

Mr. and Mrs. Grey Elder of Haq Creek and J. L. Cochran, of Norfolk visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ford last week.

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